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**PRESS RELEASE**

**NATIONAL VETERAN TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010**

Singapore Table Tennis Association (STTA) is pleased to announce it will be hosting the National Veteran Table Tennis Championships together with Veteran Table Tennis Club Singapore (VTTCS).

Date: 25 Jan to 31 Jan 2010

Time: 7pm to 10pm

Venue: STTA, Lee Kong Chian Toa Payoh Table Tennis Training Hall

Guest of Honour: Er Lee Bee Wah, Member of Parliament for Ang Mo Kio GRC & President, STTA

The STTA is committed to promoting table tennis through high participation among the masses ranging from the PCF kindergarten children to senior citizens.

STTA and VTTCS believe that age is no hurdle and table tennis is a sport suitable for all ages. For instance, our 2009 1<sup>st</sup> runner up winner, for the men's singles above 70 years old, Lai Weng Kay only started playing table tennis at the age of 40. Despite being an active swimmer and participated many inter-school competitions during his younger days. Weng Kay has retired from swimming and table tennis is the only sport he plays. Weng Kay is such an enthusiastic table tennis sportsman that he participated in 7 World Veteran Table Tennis Championships from 1994 to 2006.

The National Veteran Table Tennis Championships 2010 attracts 410 "golden age" veterans from all walks of life to register and compete. The oldest veteran competing in the competition this year is 76 years young.

The message behind the National Veteran Table Tennis Championships is a simple one, i.e. to motivate and keep our Singapore seniors healthy and happy by playing table tennis.

There are a total of 11 events for senior citizens up to 70 years old & above. Prize presentation will commence after the last match at 2.30pm on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010. We like to invite your reporters and photographers to cover the event. Attached please find the match schedule.

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